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Dr. John H. Gibbons  
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Dear Jack:

Senator Paul Laxalt, Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Military Construction, has written to me seeking a study of the United States' Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence (C<sup>3</sup>I) systems. I would appreciate your considering whether OTA is able to do the study as outlined by Senator Laxalt and under the conditions he set. If OTA can do the study, prepare a proposal for consideration by the Technology Assessment Board.

This subject is of great importance, so I request that the assessment be given high priority. Please report as soon as possible on the impact the study will have on OTA's budget and its ability to take on additional assessments in the coming fiscal year.

With best wishes,

Cordially,



TED STEVENS  
 Chairman  
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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Morris K. Udall  
 Vice Chairman